

Colonoscopy Procedure Overview

Thank you for choosing the physicians at Harbin Gastroenterology for your healthcare needs. Dr. Goldin, Dr. Finn, and Dr. Galysh are highly trained and skilled physicians. Our office is located on the first floor of the main Harbin Clinic building at the corner of Redmond Road and Martha Berry Boulevard. Our physicians and staff look forward to serving you and your family.

We are providing information to help inform you about your upcoming procedure. You will find the instructions for your procedure and a prescription if one is required. We ask that you bring your medications and your insurance cards with you the day of your procedure. You also must bring someone to drive you home. **This person must be 18 years of age to legally sign for you to be discharged after your procedure and to drive you home. This person must stay in the waiting room while the procedure is performed in case of emergency. If this person leaves the office, we cannot do your procedure.**

We will contact your insurance company prior to your procedures. We will verify your benefits and complete a prior authorization or review for medical necessity if required. However, we strongly suggest that you contact your insurance company to verify your benefits regarding outpatient diagnostic procedures. When you contact your insurance company, please let them know that your procedure will be performed in a free-standing ambulatory surgical center, not a physician's office. You will receive a bill for the professional services (doctor's portion), as well as a facility fee (room and supplies).

If you are having a Colonoscopy for screening purposes, this means that you are 50 years of age and have never had a Colonoscopy, or it has been 10 years since your last Colonoscopy. It also means that you have absolutely no signs or symptoms. We suggest that you check with your insurance company regarding any screening benefits. If you are told by your insurance company that you do not have any screening benefits, please call us so we can discuss your options.

In addition to the services provided by our facility and physicians, you may receive a separate bill from the Southeastern Pathology and/or Integra Anesthesia. For billing questions regarding anesthesia services, please call 1 (800) 594-8333.

This appointment time has been reserved for you. We ask that you make every effort to keep this appointment. However, we understand unexpected things happen. If you need to cancel or reschedule, please do so at least seven days prior to your procedure date, if possible.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to call our office at 706-238-8010.